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Applicant:

Carlson et al.

Title:

EMBOSSING SYSTEM

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

Assertion of Small Entity status is enclosed.

[X] The fee required for additional claims is calculated below:

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[] Small Entity Fees Apply (subtra	ct ½ of above):	\$0.00		
-	TOTAL FEE:	\$0.00			

- [] Please charge Deposit Account No. 06-1450 in the amount of \$0.00. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is enclosed.
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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated December 10, 2003, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: